



# QUESTIONS JUNE 2012

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1. True (A) or false (B):

**The most common hospital-acquired infections are urinary tract infections, pneumonia and surgical wound infections.**

2. Which of the following is NOT correct? The WHO Guide recommends the following to reduce hospital-acquired infections:

- a) Providing direct patient care using practices that minimise infections
- b) Spraying regularly for cockroaches
- c) Following appropriate hygiene practices, e.g. hand washing
- d) Obtaining appropriate microbiological specimens when an infection is present or suspected.

3. True (A) or false (B):

**The common law provides that patients who contract hospital-acquired infections due to medical negligence by healthcare providers may sue such providers for damages.**

4. True (A) or false (B):

**Measles is an acute vaccine-preventable infection common in childhood.**

5. True (A) or false (B):

**Measles is caused by the varicella virus.**

6. True (A) or false (B):

**In the case of HIV with measles co-infection, children may present either without rash, or with an uncharacteristic rash.**

7. True (A) or false (B):

**South Africa has the highest incidence and mortality rates of tuberculosis (TB) in the world.**

8. True (A) or false (B):

**Currently over 65% of newly diagnosed patients with TB in South Africa have multidrug-resistant (MDR) TB.**

9. True (A) or false (B):

**MDR TB is defined as TB resistant to isoniazid and rifampicin.**

10. True (A) or false (B):

**MDR TB is easily differentiated clinically from drug-sensitive TB, as its symptoms are much milder.**

11. True (A) or false (B):

**MDR TB can be identified by culturing sputum with drug sensitivity testing and by line probe assays.**

12. True (A) or false (B):

**Patients who are on ineffective drug regimens fuel TB drug resistance.**

13. True (A) or false (B):

**Most patients presenting at a specialised TB clinic in KwaZulu-Natal were coughing, thereby fuelling the spread of community-transmitted MDR TB.**

14. True (A) or false (B):

**Second-line injectable drugs (amikacin, kanamycin, capreomycin) used for MDR TB treatment have significant adverse effects, especially ototoxicity and nephrotoxicity.**

15. True (A) or false (B):

**Ototoxicity due to treatment with aminoglycoside is fortunately completely and quickly reversible.**

16. True (A) or false (B):

**Cessation of aminoglycoside treatment immediately stops ototoxic injury.**

17. True (A) or false (B):

**Within 3 months of in-hospital aminoglycoside therapy, 57% of patients developed high-frequency hearing loss.**

18. True (A) or false (B):

**Fresh-frozen plasma is rarely used for inappropriate indications in South Africa.**

19. True (A) or false (B):

**Skin staples used for skin closure after caesarean section are cheaper to use than sutures.**

20. True (A) or false (B):

**A study found that one of the redeeming features of the use of skin staples used in caesarean section is that they have a much lower infection rate than sutures.**

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read the journal. All the answers will be found there.
2. Go to [www.cpdjournals.co.za](http://www.cpdjournals.co.za) to answer the questions.

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